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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of Teuscher, et al.	)	Examiner: David Bochna
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Serial No: 10/037,443	)	Art Unit: 3679
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Filed: December 21, 2001	)	Our Customer No: 04-1403
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Confirmation No: 4830	)	Our Account No.: 22827
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For: Medical Connector	)	

**AMENDMENT**

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The present Amendment is being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed June 24, 2005. Please enter the following Amendment:

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This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated herein by reference and the signature below is to be treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below:

Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Additional Fee
Total Effective Claims      17	minus _____	= _____ X \$50 =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims      3	minus _____	= _____ x \$200 =	\$ 0.00
If amendment enters <u>proper</u> multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for <u>first</u> time, add \$290.00 (per application)			
Since Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of _____,			
<b>PETITION</b> is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month \$120; 2 months \$450; 3 months \$1020; 4 months \$1590,      \$ 0.00			
5 months \$2,160)      \$ 0.00			
If Terminal Disclaimer enclosed, add Rule 20(d) Official Fee (\$110.00)      \$ 0.00			
<b>SUBTOTAL:</b> \$ 0.00			

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Other:      \$ 0.00

**TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED:**      \$ 0.00

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